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UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 371
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Dear Sir:

The Notification of Missing Parts was issued on December 18, 2000. Applicants request a four-month extension of time, to April 18, 2001, to file a response to the Notification.

The inventors reside in Germany. The extension of time is requested to obtain the executed Declaration from the inventors to bring the Application into compliance.

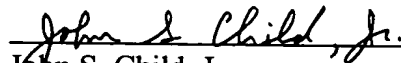
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The extension fee required by this request should be charged to the undersigned attorney's Deposit Account No. 04-1406. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

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